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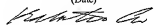
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the communication from the Examiner mailed September 10, 2007.  
Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks and Response to Restriction Requirement** begin on page 4 of this paper.